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**FIRST LADY OF PANAMA ATTENDS NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST,
GATHERING OF KEY STRATEGIC WOMEN FROM AROUND THE WORLD**

Panama's First Lady, the Honorable Mrs. Marta Linares Martinelli, is visiting Washington, D.C., to attend the fifty-ninth annual National Prayer Breakfast at the invitation of U.S. Senator Bill Nelson (D-FL) and his wife, Mrs. Grace Nelson.

During her visit to Washington, the First Lady will also participate in the second annual Key Strategic Gathering of Women from Around the World at the invitation of Mrs. Nelson.

The National Prayer Breakfast has been held annually on the first Thursday in February in Washington each year since 1953. The event brings together nearly 3,500 guests, including people from more than 100 countries.

"I do believe in building strong bridges of communication and friendship amongst key women," said Mrs. Martinelli, "and what a better channel than our love for God and care for one another."

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